



THE KHIE CONNECTION

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Welcome to the Kentucky Health Information
Exchange Newsletter!



Special Points of Interest

As of September 22, 2014:

- ⇒ KHIE has 630 signed participation agreements (representing 2,336 locations)
- ⇒ A total of 1,005 provider locations, are submitting live data and exchanging information (see Page 4 for more details)
- ⇒ 80% of acute care hospitals in KY are live on KHIE
- ⇒ \$172, 253,773.84 has been paid to Medicaid hospitals and providers in KY, through the KY Medicaid EHR Incentive Program
- ⇒ \$241,846,330.77 has been paid to Medicare hospitals and providers in KY through the EHR Incentive Program, March 2014
- ⇒ KHIE averages over 250,000 queries per week

Welcome to the Kentucky Health Information Exchange monthly newsletter! Here you will find valuable information about KHIE. KHIE is situated in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services and works with several providers across the Commonwealth to build a state-wide health information highway where providers can access critical patient health information from various points of care. The strategic goals of KHIE are to: promote and increase the adoption and use of health information technology and health information exchange within the state borders and across the nation. KHIE also assists with and facilitates state-wide meaningful use initiatives and provides governance and oversight to the statewide health information exchange.

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Did You Know?

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services published a Final Rule on September 4, 2014? To learn more please visit page 3.

A MESSAGE FROM THE STATE HEALTH IT COORDINATOR **POLLY MULLINS-BENTLEY**



Greetings from the Kentucky Health Information Exchange! This month I would like to focus on the recently published Meaningful Use Final Rule, also commonly referred to as the Flexibility Rule. I often proclaim to my staff that 2014 is the year of change for Health IT. Following this publication, I feel confident in the validity of this statement and its impact on the healthcare landscape. On September 4, 2014, CMS published a finalized rule (that will take effect on October 1, 2014) that grants flexi-

bility to providers who are unable to fully implement 2014 Edition certified EHR technology (CEHRT). The Final Rule offers some flexibility to providers and hospitals attesting to meaningful use and changed the Meaningful Use timeline, the definition of CEHRT and the requirements for reporting of clinical quality measures.

This Final Rule is the direct result of CMS's recognition that EHR products certified later than expected and because of the high demand of providers needing to upgrade, a backlog resulted, preventing providers from upgrading to their 2014 CEHRT versions. The new rule however, allows providers and hospitals that could not implement 2014 Edition CEHRT in CY and FFY 2014 due to delays, to; continue to use 2011 Edition CEHRT, use a combination of 2011 and 2014 Edition CEHRT or to continue to use 2014 CEHRT.

The rule affords providers with the option to attest to Meaningful Use Stage 1 again in 2014 without being penalized. However, this change pertains to 2014 ONLY and requires all providers to use 2014 Edition CEHRT in 2015. Because this rule provides more options for providers we recommend that all providers document the reasons why they were unable to fully implement their certified EHR technology.

To better clarify the finalized rule, the KHIE is collaborating with the KY Medicaid EHR Incentive Program and the Regional Extension Centers across the state to develop guidance regarding the new changes per the rule. This information will be published on the KHIE website and will be distributed to providers across the state. I often say that every provider and every situation is unique and must be assessed individually. There hasn't been a time where this statement has been more relevant. To learn more about the 2014 participation options, please refer to page 3. Thank you again for your hard work in these changing times!

Sincerely,

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EHR INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

2014 CEHRT Rule: Quick Guide

2014 Participation Options

Under the rule, you may use 2011 Edition CEHRT, and you have the option to attest to the 2013 Stage 1 objectives and the 2013 definition CQMs. Below are the participation options for 2014 based on the Edition of EHR certification you are currently using:

2011 CEHRT:

If you are scheduled to report Stage 1 or Stage 2:

⇒ 2013 Stage 1 objectives and 2013 CQMs

Combination of 2011 & 2014 CEHRT:

If you are scheduled to report Stage 1:

⇒ 2013 Stage 1 objectives and 2013 CQMs; or

⇒ 2014 Stage 1 objectives and 2014 CQMs

If you are scheduled to report Stage 2:

⇒ 2013 Stage 1 objectives and 2013 CQMs; or

⇒ 2014 Stage 1 objectives and 2014 CQMs; or

⇒ Stage 2 objectives and 2014 CQMs

2014 CEHRT:

If you are scheduled to report Stage 1:

⇒ 2014 Stage 1 objectives and 2014 CQMs

If you are scheduled to report Stage 2:

⇒ Stage 2 objectives and 2014 CQMs ; or

⇒ 2014 Stage 1 objectives and 2014 CQMs

For more information, please refer to www.cms.gov



NEW LIVE CONNECTIONS

STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE

The KHIE continues to build its robust health information exchange and currently has a total of 1,005 provider locations submitting live data and actively exchanging information. To see KHIE's footprint across the Commonwealth, please see the map below.

NEW LIVE CONNECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

The following providers have made new live connections with KHIE:

- Allergy Care of Bowling Green, PSC
- Caldwell County Hospital Inc (Medical Center)
- Dee and Associates, PLLC
- Eadens and Grimbail, Internal Medicine Associates, PSC
- Eakle, Kimberly Y MD LLC
- Hume, Timothy D. MD, LLC
- James B. Haggin Memorial Hospital Inc
- Kentucky One Health, Inc (St. Joseph East, Saint Joseph Hospital)
- Mountain View Family Practice, PLLC

- New Horizons Health Systems Inc (Medical Center)
- Ohio County Hospital Corp
- Shifa, PSC DBA Chavies Clinic
- Summit Medical Group DBA St. Elizabeth Physicians Aurora Business Health
- Trigg County Hospital, Inc
- Twin Lakes Regional Medical Center

DIRECT SECURE MESSAGING

The following organizations are live on KHIE's Health Information Service Provider :

- Commonwealth Health Corporation (outbound only)
- Community United Methodist (outbound only)
- Ephraim McDowell Health (outbound only)
- Hardin Memorial Hospital (outbound only)
- Harrison Memorial Hospital (outbound only)
- Kings Daughter's Medical Center (Ashland Health Corporation)
- King's Daughters Health, Madison (outbound only)
- Owensboro Health Regional Hospital, Inc.
- Mercy Health Partners-Lourdes (outbound only)
- Murray Calloway County (outbound only)
- Norton Healthcare, Inc

- St. Claire Regional Medical Center (outbound only)
- Taylor Regional Hospital (outbound only)
- Twin Lakes Regional Medical Center (outbound only)

DIRECT SECURE MESSAGING


The following providers are live on KHIE's Direct secure messaging web-portal:

- Allen County Health Department
- Bishop Soenneker Home, Inc.
- Bullitt County Health Department
- Carmel Home
- Christian County Health Department
- Franklin County Home Health Department
- Graves County Health Department
- Greenup County Health Department
- Hardin Memorial Hospital Skilled Nursing Facility
- Hopkins County Health Department
- Lincoln Trail District Health Department
- Miller's Merry Manor
- Northern Kentucky Independent District Health Department
- Pike County Health Department
- Cedar Ridge Health Campus
 - Wedco District Health Department
 - Wellington Parc Health Systems


Others:

- Kentucky Immunization Registry
- State Lab (Microbiology) (Franklin)
- Grundy, VA
- Hamilton, OH
- Indiana
- Pennyroyal Behavioral Health Centers







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EHR Incentive Program
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Meaningful Use
Learn more about how KHIE can support your Meaningful Use efforts.
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[Kentucky's NPRM Comments](#)
Monday, July 21, 2014
View the collective NPRM comments from providers and key meaningful use stakeholders


2014 eHealth Summit

The 2014 eHealth Summit location information is available.
[Read all about it.](#)

KHIE History

[Read about the history of the Kentucky Health Information Exchange.](#)

Connected Providers



[Select a county from the map to find out who is connected.](#)

Contact Us

Are you a health care provider, hospital or other organization ready to connect to KHIE? Do you have questions, comments or need more information about the program? [Fill out this form to contact KHIE.](#)



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